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Lieutenant Colonel Christopher W. Crary
Commander, District Engineer
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Dear Colonel Crary:

Subject: Unexploded Ordnance (UXO) on Hawaiian Home Lands

The Department of Hawaiian Home Lands ("DHHL") is informed that its lands in the former Waikoloa Maneuver Area and Popoki Target Area on the island of Hawaii, which are under the purview of the Formerly Used Defense Sites program (FUDS), are designated as "low risk" by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. Because of this "low risk" designation, federal funding for the required UXO removal from these lands is not currently available or anticipated to be available in the near future.

DHHL strongly opposes the low risk designation and requests reconsideration of the assessments based on the use of these lands by native Hawaiians, who are recognized by the federal government as a people to whom unique responsibilities are owed.

Aloha,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Jobie M. K. Masagatani".

Jobie M. K. Masagatani, Chairman
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